

PERF Online to sport a new look, functionality in October

PERF Online will add a new look, simplified log in procedure and an electronic membership record in October. The online membership record will allow employers to electronically submit all the necessary information to PERF to set up a member account. Upon receipt of the record, PERF will contact the member for beneficiary information. You, as the employer, will no longer need to follow-up with your employee for this information. The online membership record will eliminate paperwork and save time for employers.

If you currently are not a PERF Online user, or would like to receive PERF Online training, please contact Tony Prizevoits via email at aprizevoits@perf.in.gov or by calling (317) 233-4115.

Learn PERF Online: more dates around the state for workshops

PERF is hitting the road with more <u>dates and locations</u> for a training program to help first-time users of PERF Online get started and long-time users learn what's new. With the addition of <u>Muncie</u>, <u>Logansport</u>, <u>Valparaiso</u>, <u>Vincennes</u>, <u>Terre Haute</u> and <u>South Bend</u>, there is even more opportunity for employers to learn more about PERF's interactive web site and exchanging information with PERF. To reserve your seat, click <u>HERE</u> and complete the form.

Pre-Retirement Workshops help employees' navigate process

PERF continues to mail out Pre-Retirement Workshop mailers to those who may be within 18 months of retirement. This mailer allows members to sign up to learn about the retirement process. To download additional copies of this mailer, click HERE. For a full list of workshops, or to help an employee register to attend a workshop, click HERE. Members may also call us at (888) 526-1687 if they have any questions or need help signing up for a workshop.

Employer assistance makes a big impact

PERF would like to thank employers for their help in providing the information needed to process the large volume of retirement applications and distributions we saw during July and August. We truly appreciate your help and ask for your continued support. Please remember that it saves time when you submit to PERF the Last Day in Pay Status and Final Wage Reports during your employees' exit process. By taking this proactive step to supply us this information at the time your employees leave, it will help us to continue to provide exceptional customer service to our members, their families, and to you - our employers. Please let us know if we can do anything to assist you in the process.

Online Employer Handbook coming soon

In direct response to your requests, PERF has created and now is revising an online Employer Handbook to help you navigate the procedures needed to administer your PERF program. Handy revision dates will be posted next to the sections so you can quickly see when updates have been made. A special *Employer Update* will be sent to you with links to the new handbook as soon as it is available to all employers.

PERF Searches Indiana, Nation for Manager of "Emerging Managers"

The Indiana Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF) has launched a search for a manager of its \$100 million emerging managers initiative announced in February. The emerging managers initiative would place investments of between \$5 million and \$15 million with small, minority- and women-owned investment management firms in Indiana and across the nation. For full story, click HERE.

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